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The amendment filed on 29 October 2008 amends both independent claims presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The amendment filed on 29 October 2008 is NOT entered.

The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because they are considered to limit to inter alia structurally mutually exclusive locations for the peripheral prisms. The elected species has peripheral prisms located at both ends of the linear light emitting source as opposed to the presently claimed "disposed in the peripheral portions (of what ?)".

Applicant, in general, may add limitations to claims, but when Applicant deletes prior limitations to claims and substitutes alternate limitations, Applicant may depart from the elected species.

Applicant may telephone examiner for help in amending in such a way as to remain drawn to elected species. Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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